

TRAIN HELD UP  
IN NEW YORK  
BY 20 BANDITS;  
\$70,000 TAKEN

Masked Men Get Away With  
Ten Auto Truck Loads of  
Silk After Lining Up Entire  
Crew.

Engineer Cuts Out With Loco-  
motive Under Fire and Gets  
Away, Keeping Robbers  
From Making Bigger Haul.

BUFFALO, April 15.—Twenty  
masked robbers early today held  
up in true Western style a New  
York Central fast freight train  
near Sanborn, Niagara county, and  
escaped with ten auto truck loads  
of valuable silks valued at \$70,000.

The train was from Boston,  
bound for Chicago via the Michi-  
gan Central at Niagara Falls.

The daring of Engineer Morris  
Goss in cutting out his engine un-  
der fire and running into Suspend-  
er Bridge for help prevented  
more extensive looting.

The train had slowed down in  
passing through Sanborn at 2  
o'clock this morning. A man sud-  
denly appeared on the tracks and  
waved a warning.

## SHUTS OFF THROTTLE.

Engineer Goss shut off his throttle  
and the train came to a stop.

As it did so two men climbed into the  
cab and leveled their revolvers at the  
engineer and fireman.

The train crew left the caboose to find  
out the reason for the stopping of the  
train, and these three men found them-  
selves also confronted by two masked  
men, who shoved revolvers in their  
faces and ordered them to throw up  
their hands.

The trainmen were then ordered to  
march up to the engine, and they went  
guarded by the revolvers of the bandits.  
The five men were lined up alongside a  
car, and while one man kept them cov-  
ered with a revolver the other robbers  
bustled themselves in breaking into the  
cars.

## Has Good Clue.

Chief of Detectives Hennessy, of the  
New York Central lines, told Superin-  
tendent Fred Fredericks today of a  
promising clue to the auto bandits.  
Niagara Falls and Buffalo police are  
also working on the case, and arrests  
are confidently expected within a few  
hours.

It is believed that on account of the  
extensive scale on which the raid was  
planned and carried out, the case will  
be much difficult in locating at least  
some of the robbers.

Fifteen of the fifty-five cars in the  
train were broken into.

Shots fired by the robbers were plain-  
ly heard by persons living in Sanborn.

Railroad men say that never before  
has a train robbery been carried out  
on such an extensive scale and plans  
so carefully laid for a quick get-away.

MAN ELECTROCUTED;  
INQUEST IS ORDERED

Charles Fisher Killed at George-  
town Plant of Potomac  
Power Company.

Rigid in death, due to contact with an  
electric current of 13,000 volts, the body  
of Charles Fisher, fifty-seven years old,  
was found early today in a small wire  
enclosure at the Georgetown plant of  
the corporation, Thirtieth and K  
streets northwest.

Coroner Nevitt, following a personal  
investigation, ordered an inquest at the  
district morgue tomorrow morning at  
10 o'clock.

Fisher entered the enclosure where the  
body was found, and was found dead  
on a box of wire, which he had ex-  
posed wires along the side of the box.

The wires were found to be of the  
type transformer, and the body was  
found in a position which indicated  
that he had been working on the  
wires.

Fisher's hands were found almost  
two feet apart, and he was found on  
the floor of the enclosure, where he had  
fallen when the charge shot through him.

Coroner Nevitt learned that Fisher,  
who lived at 127 Potomac street, had  
been employed intermittently at an ice  
plant near the electric power station for  
many years but had lost much time re-  
cently on account of illness. An ac-  
quaintance said he heard Fisher say a  
few days ago that he feared he would  
be well enough to go to work again.

John Bunny Dying;  
Suffers Breakdown

Famous Motion Picture Character  
In Critical Condition at  
Flatbush Home.

NEW YORK, April 15.—John Bunny,  
one of the best-known comic characters  
in the motion picture world is critically  
ill at his home in Flatbush, Brooklyn.  
He suffered a breakdown two weeks  
ago, and last night took a turn for the  
worse. Little hope is held for his re-  
covery.

RESERVOIR BREAKS;  
EIGHT ARE DROWNED

Wall of Water Sweeps Valley  
and Two Other Reservoirs  
Threaten Collapse.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 15.—With a  
terrific roar, the Lyman reservoir sud-  
denly gave way today and sent a great  
wall of water racing down on St.  
John's, Ariz., twelve miles below.

Eight persons are known to have been  
drowned, including three grandchildren  
of Mrs. Rachel Barry, a member of  
the Arizona general assembly. Several  
persons are missing.

Two smaller reservoirs near St. John's  
are weakening and are likely to collapse  
at any moment, according to brief ad-  
vices from the scene.

WILSON IN CHARGE  
OF CHINA'S DISPUTE

Will Advise Certain Concessions  
to Japanese to Settle Ques-  
tion Within Short Time.

President Wilson today personally  
took charge of negotiations with Jap-  
an growing from the latter's demands  
on China.

He held a long conference with  
resident Frank Johnson Goodnow, of  
Johns Hopkins University, who was  
China's legal adviser in 1912 and 1914.

It was said Goodnow's call was in con-  
nection with the President's partici-  
pation at the coming opening of the  
university's new building, and half-  
heartedly denied that the Chinese sit-  
uation was the chief topic discussed.

He was understood, however, to have  
explained just what Japan's demands  
are and how they can be so modified as  
to give the Japanese preference along  
lines they are geographically entitled to  
without closing the "open door."

That the United States will advise  
China to make certain concessions was  
reported. Japan was said to be will-  
ing to meet both countries half way  
and an early and satisfactory settle-  
ment was looked for.

Direct Cable Laid From  
England to Russia

LONDON, April 15.—Russia now has  
direct cable communication with Great  
Britain. The new cable runs across the  
North Sea up along the coast of Nor-  
way, around the North Cape and into  
Alexandrovsk in the White Sea.

The laying of the cable was complet-  
ed in eleven days. The cable, which is  
longer than the cable connecting Great  
Britain with America, was laid to give  
direct communication between Great  
Britain and Russia without passing  
through a neutral country.

Capital Beauties Rush  
Photos for the Contest

Publication of First Series Arouses Additional In-  
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Beautiful Girl on California Trip.

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of photographs of attractive young  
women who have been entered in The  
Times beauty contest, there was added  
interest today among Washington  
girls, mothers, fathers, and beaux, and  
an unusually large consignment of new  
photographs reached the desk of the  
Beauty Editor.

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have entered in the contest, which is to  
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## Justice McCoy To Preside.

The hearing on the rule to show  
cause why the temporary injunction  
should not be made permanent will be  
held before Justice Walter L. McCoy,  
presiding in Equity Court, No. 1, to-  
morrow morning, beginning at 10  
o'clock.

Until today there was doubt as to  
whether the hearing would be before  
Justice McCoy or Justice Frederick L.  
Siddons, but when the assignment of  
motions was made up this forenoon the  
case fell to No. 1.

In order to be prepared to devote the  
whole day to the hearing, if necessary,  
Justice McCoy arranged with Justice  
Siddons to take over all motions and  
other matters that would regularly  
come up in Equity Court No. 1 to-  
morrow. The event that the Treasury  
officials do not seek a con-  
tinuance. This same arrangement will  
be made if the hearing is continued a  
week.

The preliminary hearing will be to de-  
termine whether the rule shall be dis-  
charged or whether the temporary in-  
junction restraining Comptroller Wil-  
liams from covering into the Treasury  
will leave for San Francisco.

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Noted Catholics Celebrating  
Silver Jubilee of University

AMERICAN CARDINALS  
OCCUPY THRONE AT  
ST. PATRICK'S

Mgr. Thomas F. Shahan Reads  
First Letter Received in  
America From New Pope.

## CLERGY AND LAITY PRESENT

After Solemn Pontifical Mass  
Luncheon Is Given, Followed  
By Public Exercises.

Before one of the greatest congresses  
of the hierarchy of the Catholic  
Church ever assembled in America, and  
the most distinguished Catholic audi-  
ence ever gathered in the history of the  
country in attendance, exercises com-  
memorating the silver jubilee of the  
Catholic University of America were  
held today, with a solemn pontifical  
mass of thanksgiving in St. Patrick's  
Church, a luncheon at the New Willard,  
and public exercises in the New Na-  
tional Theatre.

Practically all of the high officials of  
the Catholic Church of the United  
States either participated in or attend-  
ed the three functions.

The exercises were marked by the  
reading of the first letter received in  
America from His Holiness Pope Ben-  
edict XV, by a sermon and address-  
es by the three American cardinals,  
archbishops and bishops, and the con-  
ferring of honorary degrees in schol-  
arship.

## Opened With Mass.

The exercises opened with a solemn  
pontifical mass in St. Patrick's  
Church at 10 o'clock. At 1 o'clock all of  
the church dignitaries, many distin-  
guished laymen and their wives, guests  
attended a luncheon at the New Willard,  
and at 2:30 o'clock public exer-  
cises were begun in the New National  
Theatre, where there will be an alumni  
reunion and banquet. Tomorrow the university  
will keep open house and serve luncheon  
for all visitors.

St. Patrick's Church, decorated with  
the papal colors and the red of the  
cardinals, was crowded this morning  
for the pontifical mass of thanksgiving.  
The three American cardinals, in their  
robes of office, occupied places upon the  
altar or in the sanctuary, which was  
crowded with officials of the mass, in  
brilliant hues robes.

The altar of white marble, alight  
with hundreds of candles, was backed high  
with palms, ferns, and flowers, offering  
a rich background for the surplined  
clergy, and robed dignitaries of the  
church.

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BREWERY WORKERS  
TO JOIN THE "DRYS"

Threaten to Work for Prohibi-  
tion Unless Employers Show  
Plan to Treat With Strikers.

Unless the master brewers of the five  
Washington breweries now affected by  
the strike show a disposition to treat  
with union labor, the brewers, bottlers,  
drivers, and others now out will work  
for prohibition in the District of Co-  
lumbia.

John H. Colpoys, of the Central Lab-  
or Union, made this statement today  
in commenting on the strike situation,  
which he declares is most favorable to  
the men who quit work April 1.

"The men keeping tab on this work  
being done by the strike breakers in  
the local breweries say that unless  
there is a change in the present situa-  
tion the strike is won," said Mr. Col-  
poys. "The demand for union made  
beer is so strong that orders from other  
cities cannot come in fast enough and  
there is little sale for the local output.

The strikers are determined to win and  
unless the employers show a disposi-  
tion to sign a contract with them and  
to deal with union labor the men say  
they will start out to work for prohibi-  
tion in the district.

"The local breweries are having  
much trouble with inexperienced non-  
union labor. Two batches of beer  
have been brewed since the strike  
was called and much of it is below  
standard, while in one brewery it was  
necessary to turn all of the first  
batch into the sewer."

Leon Tobriner, attorney for the em-  
ployers, said this afternoon that the  
breweries affected by the strike had  
been able to get all the help they  
needed and that the work was pro-  
ceeding in an orderly manner. No  
trouble is being given around the  
plants by the strikers, he said.

Colonel Roosevelt's Wife  
Undergoes Operation

NEW YORK, April 15.—Mrs. Theod-  
ore Roosevelt was successfully operat-  
ed on today at Roosevelt Hospital. Dr.  
Howard C. Taylor, who was in charge,  
stated that the patient rallied nicely  
and steadily is improving. Colonel  
Roosevelt and Theodore Roosevelt, Jr.,  
were at the hospital.

Surgeons refused to disclose the na-  
ture of Mrs. Roosevelt's malady.

## Schooner in Distress.

NEW LONDON, Conn., April 15.—A  
wrecking tug has been sent from here  
to the assistance of an unknown three-  
masted schooner off the south side of  
Fisher's Island. The schooner was  
sighted aground and flying distress sig-  
nals early today.



ABOVE—CARDINAL GIBBONS of  
Baltimore.  
BELOW—CARDINAL O'CONNELL,  
Boston.



CARDINAL FARLEY,  
Of New York.

SUBMARINE SINKS  
STEAMER; 11 LOST

Plarmigan Torpedoed Off Hook  
of Holland—Eleven of Crew  
Are Rescued.

LONDON, April 15.—The steamer  
Plarmigan has been torpedoed in the  
North Sea with a loss of eleven lives,  
according to a dispatch received here  
this afternoon.

Eleven other members of the crew of  
the Plarmigan were rescued, according  
to a dispatch from Amsterdam. The  
steamer was torpedoed a few miles off  
the coast of Holland, between Hinder  
Light and the Hook of Holland.

The Plarmigan was a 781-ton steamer  
owned by the General Steam Navigation  
Company. Her port of registry was  
London.

BRITISH TUG CHASED  
BY ZEPPELIN RAIDER

Airship Which Bombarded Tyne  
District Towns Tries to Sink  
Vessel.

NEWCASTLE, England, April 15.—  
The Zeppelin airship that bombarded  
eleven towns in the Tyne district last  
night, early today attempted to sink  
the tug Jupiter, according to the cap-  
tain of the Jupiter, which put in at  
Blyth this noon.

The Jupiter was steaming northward,  
several miles off the coast, when she  
sighted the air monster, according to  
her captain. At the same time the crew  
of the dirigible, sweeping the surface of  
the North Sea with a big searchlight,  
brought the tug into view.

The Zeppelin turned her nose down-  
ward, descending almost to the mast-  
head of the tug, according to the Jupi-  
ter's captain. The crew of the airship  
was attempting to put over her side a  
large bag, supposedly containing an ex-  
plosive, when the tug maneuvered from  
under and escaped. The Zeppelin turn-  
ed about and chased the tug for several  
miles, according to her captain, but  
finally abandoned the chase.

Casualties of British  
Announced as 139,347

LONDON, April 15.—British  
casualties from the beginning  
of the war to April 11, total  
139,347, Harold J. Tennant,  
parliamentary under secre-  
tary of war, declared in re-  
sponse to a question in the  
house of commons this  
afternoon.

GERMAN ARMY  
FALLING BACK  
AT UZSOK PASS,  
IS SLAV CLAIM

Kaiser's Forces Blow Up Tun-  
nels in Carpathians Prepar-  
ing for Retreat, Says Petro-  
grad Dispatch.

Berlin Denies Report, Saying  
Foe Is Badly Beaten at  
Every Point in Attempted In-  
vasion of Hungary.

AMSTERDAM, April 15.—Four  
Dutch steam trawlers have  
been captured by German tor-  
pedo boats and towed to un-  
known ports, according to a dis-  
patch received today by a news-  
paper at Ymuiden.

LONDON, April 15.—Sharply  
conflicting reports regarding the  
progress of the great Carpathian  
pass battles came from Petrograd  
and Berlin today.

A dispatch from Petrograd an-  
nounced that the Germans are  
blowing up the railway tunnels  
through the Uzsook pass in prepara-  
tion for a retreat.

An official statement issued at  
Berlin this afternoon declared that  
the Russians have been badly beat-  
en and checked at every point in  
the attempted invasion of Hun-  
gary.

The Russians are exhausted, the  
Berlin war office announced. Their  
attacks have grown steadily weak-  
er in the last few days until the  
pressure on the Austro-German  
lines has almost ceased.

"The Russian attempt to use the  
Peremysl siege army to force an  
invasion of Hungary has failed,"  
was the positive statement made at  
Berlin.

## DRIVE BLOCKED.

"The enemy's efforts to break into  
Hungary by way of the Lupkow saddle,  
east of Dukla pass, has been blocked,  
since the Russian attack near Strop-  
ko was definitely stopped.

The Russians, therefore, attacked  
to the east.

They were repulsed with heavy  
losses near Kozlov.

On the other hand, Lemberg dis-  
patches to Petrograd today asserted  
that the battle for possession of the  
Uzsook railway and pass is proceeding  
with great fury. The Russians re-  
ported pressing in upon the enemy  
from the west, along a road leading  
over the mountain crest from Volos-  
ate.

The Germans, according to this re-  
port, have dynamited a tunnel near  
Slanki, at the northern gateway to  
the Uzsook, thus admitting they have  
little hope of taking the offensive  
again in this region.

Operations on the Hungarian side of  
the mountains, near Stropko, have  
been halted. Calm also prevails in  
the region north of Bertfeld, where  
the opposing armies have entrenched  
in preparation for a great battle.

Petrograd dispatches today contin-  
ued to lay stress upon the new Ger-  
man movement around Ossowetz in Poland,  
and the Austro-German attacks north  
of Bukovina. The majority of the  
Petrograd military critics expressed  
the belief that these operations were  
designed to draw Russian troops from  
the Carpathians.

English Militants  
Say They Have Only  
Accepted War Truce

LONDON, April 15.—Warning that  
the Pankhurst militants have not aban-  
doned their fight, but have only accept-  
ed a truce during the war, was sounded  
today by the Suffragette, official organ  
of the militants, which appeared for the  
first time since the beginning of the  
conflict.

"Before the war," said the leading  
editorial, "we militants fought the  
British government for the sake of re-  
mery. After the war, if it is still nec-  
essary, we are prepared and determined  
to fight again."

"But now it is a thousand times more  
our duty to fight the Kaiser and the  
Prussian army system, which is the  
greatest menace to liberty the world  
knows today."

French Troops Gain  
Nearly Mile in Fight  
In Upper Alsace

PARIS, April 15.—French troops have  
gained nearly a mile in the sharp fight-  
ing in upper Alsace, according to dis-  
patches received here today.

Near La Boisselle, in the Argonne, and